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TREASURY FOR JEFFREY LEVINE

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TAGS: PGOV PREL KDEM PKAO HA  
SUBJECT: HAITI ELECTIONS: PROVINCES DID NOT GIVE PREVAL A  
MAJORITY

**¶11. (SBU) SUMMARY:** While Presidential front-runner Rene Preval holds a clear majority in the West department and a very slight majority in the Southeast, he has not established a majority in the remaining eight departments. However, he is leading in all departments except the Northwest, where he is in second place. While clearly the choice of Port-au-Prince, Preval has not received a mandate from the provinces. The dwindling of Preval's lead over the past week is due to the delay in receiving and processing returns from the provinces. END SUMMARY.

**¶12. (U)** The following are the percentage results for the top five candidates and blank ballots by department as of February 13, per the website of the Provisional Electoral Council:

NORTHWEST: 98,131 votes counted, 86 percent

1) Luc Fleurinord - 25.00  
2) Rene Preval - 22.16  
3) Lesly Manigat - 18.06  
4) Charles Henri Baker - 9.63  
5) Paul Denis - 5.78  
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NORTH: 180,324 votes counted, 92 percent

1) Rene Preval - 46.59  
2) Charles Henri Baker - 18.99  
3) Lesly Manigat - 4.92  
4) Evans Paul - 4.55  
5) Paul Denis - 3.96  
BLANK - 4.86

NORTHEAST: 71,841 votes counted, 94 percent

1) Rene Preval - 36.53  
2) Charles Henri Baker - 13.86  
3) Evans Paul - 8.97  
4) Serge Gilles - 7.34  
5) Guy Philippe - 6.05  
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CENTRAL PLATEAU - 108,821 votes counted, 94.5 percent

1) - Rene Preval - 33.99  
2) - Charles Henri Baker - 16.84  
3) - Lesly Manigat - 11.76  
4) - Serge Gilles - 8.49  
5) - Evans Paul - 2.77  
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ARTIBONITE - 226,838 votes counted, 87 percent

1) - Rene Preval - 46.07  
2) - Lesly Manigat - 15.60  
3) - Luc Mesadieu - 12.17  
4) - Charles Henri Baker - 6.61  
5) - Serge Gilles - 2.33  
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WEST - 754,687 votes counted, 89.6 percent

1) - Rene Preval - 60.84  
2) - Lesly Manigat - 13.95  
3) - Jean Chavannes Jeune - 5.06  
4) - Charles Henri Baker - 4.92  
5) - Luc Mesadieu - 2.17  
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NIPPE - 59,396 votes counted, 87 percent

1) - Rene Preval - 38.76  
2) - Jean Chavannes Jeune - 13.67  
3) - Lesly Manigat - 10.67  
4) - Paul Denis - 5.16  
5) - Charles Henri Baker - 3.84

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GRANDE ANSE - 82,557 votes counted, 88.9 percent

1) - Rene Preval - 34.94  
2) - Guy Philippe - 12.35  
3) - Jean Chavannes Jeune - 10.41  
4) - Serge Gilles - 7.21  
5) - Lesly Manigat - 6.73  
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SOUTH - 143,271 votes counted, 91.5 percent

1) - Rene Preval - 38.75  
2) - Jean Chavannes Jeune - 24.04  
3) - Lesly Manigat - 7.85  
4) - Charles Henri Baker - 4.80  
5) - Paul Denis - 4.24  
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SOUTHEAST - 99,189 votes counted, 92.5 percent

1) - Rene Preval - 50.37  
2) - Lesly Manigat - 9.33  
3) - Charles Henri Baker - 8.29  
4) - Paul Denis - 4.84  
5) - Serge Gilles - 3.57  
BLANK - 6.63

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